

TEACHNG TIPS

Livescribe Pencast

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Let your pen do the talking!

Pencasts allow you to hear, see, share, and relive notes exactly as they were captured, with a digital version of your notes and audio come to life as an interactive document.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Smartpens only works with special dot paper, printed with hundreds of tiny pale blue dots printed all over it. The dots are so small that they are only visible close up and merely give the paper a pale blue tint from normal writing distance. The tip of the smartpen houses a tiny infrared camera, which takes 72 photographs of the paper every second. The camera captures a 36-dot grid, which the software then decodes to provide precise coordinates for the pen's current position. This information is recorded and turned into the digital version of your document, perfectly tracking the movements of the smartpen as you write and draw with it. The pen's microphone will record audio until you stop or pause it.

CLASSROOM USE

- Records and plays back lectures call Pencast
- Creates Searchable interactive PDFs
- Can be shared with Google Docs, Facebook, Evernote and Blackboard

Good for:

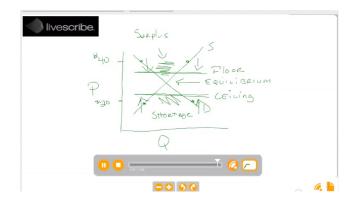
- Mentoring
- Extended Assessment Feedback
- Data Collection and Analysis
- Accommodating different learning styles

TIPS TO IMPROVE PENCASTS

- 1. Practice more practice, with feedback, the better you get
- 2. Work from a script
- 3. Pre-draw the bulk of your diagram
- 4. Pre-draw complex elements to serve as templates
- 5. Provide visual cues every few seconds
- 6. Provide obvious index points
- 7. Keep it short
- 8. Solicit feedback from your audience

PENCAST PLAYER

Pencast Player is an easy-to-use application powered by Livescribe that allows you to download, view and play your smartpen notes, audio recordings, or interactive pencasts on your iPhone, iPad, or iPod Touch. You can also download public pencasts from the communit to view on your device.



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